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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION
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This is responsive to the Patent and Trademark Office action mailed July 25, 2006 which set a one month period for response. A Request for a four Month Extension of Time is submitted herewith that extends the due date to December 25, 2006.

Claims 34-47 are pending.